WEST LAFAYETTE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

WEST LAFAYETTE CITY BUILDING WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA

TIME: 5:00 pm, Wednesday, May 16, 2007

PLACE: West Lafayette Board of Works Room

PRESENT: Dave Buck Desiree Lord David Downey Kumares Sinha

Carrie Ehresman John Walker

Bernadette Farris

VISITORS: Beth Cook Susan Hyde Andrew Domke Zach Topoll

Jeromy Grenard Natalie Villwock

Chairman Sinha determined there was quorum and called the meeting to order. Deputy Chief Walker made a motion to approve the April minutes as written, Chairman Sinha seconded and the minutes were approved. Chairman Sinha welcomed new commission member, Desiree Lord, to the Traffic Commission. She will be representing the West Lafayette School Corporation.

OLD BUSINESS:

07-10 Crestview and Northridge Parking

Mr. Downey has driven through the Crestview/Northridge circle, and now that Purdue students have left, the west side of the circle is vacant. The east side of the circle is full. It appears that Purdue students occupy the west side of the circle, and high school students occupy the east side. The high school students will be done with classes the end of May and it's likely the east side of the circle will open up.

Mrs. Farris, a resident of that area, stated that a neighbor living on the west side of the circle believes that the students who park along the west side of the circle are going to the football practice field. She does not believe they are residents of the neighborhood.

07-01 NPP Parking Request Littleton Street

Several other signatures have been obtained to replace the one signature that was removed. It was decided that the Neighborhood Parking Program will go forward as previously approved.

07-07 Salisbury Street Sewer Improvement Project

Mr. Jeromy Grenard circulated a postcard which was distributed to affected property owners. The postcard notifies citizens of the construction and offers a suggested detour route.

Mr. Grenard stated that construction has begun and is going well. The biggest challenge seems to be working around the contractors from the Chauncey Square development, and keeping Chauncey Avenue open to thru traffic.

07-08 Chauncey and Williams Visibility

Mr. Buck stated that the Engineering interns conducted a speed study at this intersection and found that the 90th percentile speed was 28mph, so speed does not appear to be a factor. The north approach on Chauncey appears to have sufficient sight distance, it is the south approach that appears to be an issue. Mr. Buck stated that there is an overgrown bush at the south east corner of this intersection that needs to be trimmed or removed. Once this is complete, the Engineer's office will come back and re-evaluate if we need to remove a parking space from Williams Street. Mr. Buck will ask the Development office to contact the property owner regarding the overgrown bush.

07-19 Cumberland Avenue Reconstruction

Mr. Buck stated that the Community Planning Committee met on Tuesday night and is preparing for two public meetings in June. The public meetings will be on June 12th and June 21st, both at Cumberland Elementary school. The project's mission statement and design concepts will be discussed.

07-06 Allen Street Loading Zone

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Mr. Short has made contact with Follett's regarding a parking space in the Follett's lot.

NEXT MEETING: 5:00 pm, Wednesday, June 20, 2007.

Respectfully Submitted,

David M. Buck, P.E.

City Engineer

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